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Remarks

Claims 2, 3, 6, 9-14 and new claim 27 are present in the case. Claim 27 replaces independent claim 1 and claims 2, 3, 6 and 9-14 are directly or indirectly dependent on new claim 27. Claims 15-26 are withdrawn from consideration.

As amended, independent claim 27, the seating arrangement comprises two pairs of seats which are positioned facing each other. A credenza or cabinet is positioned in an outerwall of the aircraft and a table having 2 portions which are hinged together and pivotably attached to the cabinet. The table can be stowed in a position adjacent the cabinet and deployed to a first use position where half the area of the full table can be utilized and to a fully deployed position where it is fully available for use (see page 5 and Figs. 9A-9D).

Claims 1-3, 8, 13 and 14 have been rejected as anticipated (35 U.S.C. 102(b)) by the 2000 Cessna Citation X.

Claims 11 and 12 have been rejected as obvious over Cessna in view of Patent Application Publication U.S. 2002/0070314A1 (Schmidt-Schaeffer).

Claim 10 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Cessna in view of Eastman et al.

Claims 6 and 9 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Cessna.

The 2000 Cessna reference does not teach or suggest the invention as claimed.

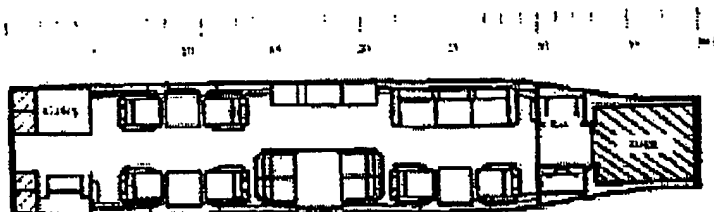
The Cessna construction taught by the reference and that by the applicants herein are shown below.

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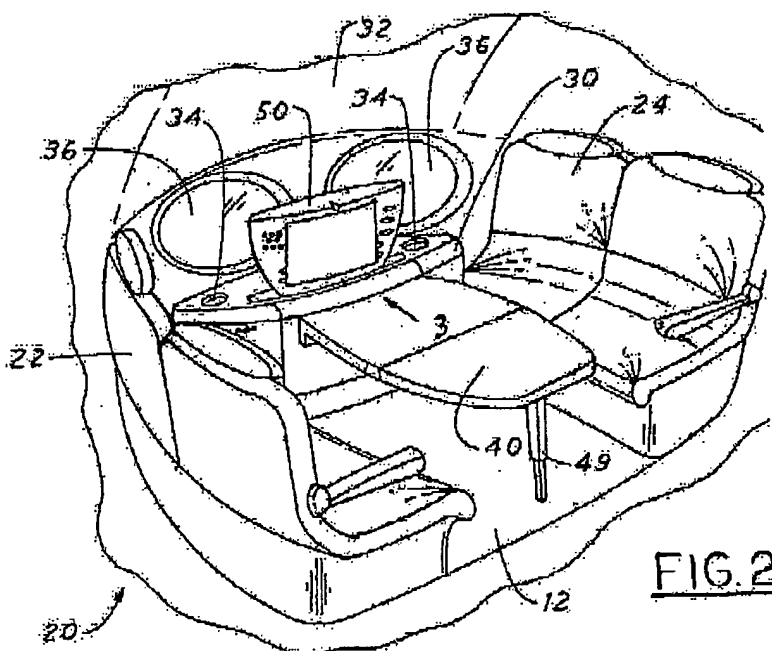
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Cessna



The present application.

It is immediately apparent that the table and cabinet in Cessna are not directly attached. In fact, they are on separate walls of the airplane. The table does not appear to be constructed of two portions which can be used in partially deployed or fully deployed condition with the advantages associated therewith. The applicants do not agree with the Examiner that the Cessna

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table is connected to a cabinet, certainly not as that term is used in the art. The two position deployment is also not shown by Cessna.

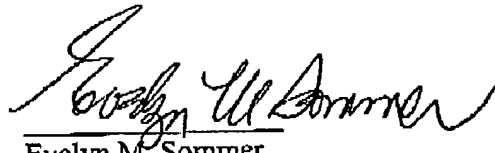
Cessna and Eastman et al., and Schmidt-Schaeffer all fail to disclose or suggest the claimed invention. The reliance on the last two mentioned references adds nothing further.

It is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted
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